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THE NEW YEAR

BY E. DEGERING

Without the sound of footsteps it has come,
And past the door to meet us face to face,—
A guest unwelcomed and unbid by some,
But others smile and rush to its embrace.
It comes to say the old year now has past,
And they who seek it labor but in vain:
For of its blessings they've received their last,
And now the New Year takes the throne to reign.

Then list, if thou wilt now a lesson hear:—
Each year is one of thy three score and ten,
And if thou hast not reached a higher sphere,
That year is lost. And tho thy time with men
Should be extended on to four score years,
That loss shall be a cause of bitter tears.

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NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

BY EDNA HOLLENBECK '14

IT is true that no one can alter what his life has written, but God in his great mercy has given us all an opportunity to make a new start. How fitting it is, then, that we make the beginning of the new year a new starting point, and take fresh hold upon the love and mercy of God.

Each one should enter upon the new year with a resolute determination to make the very most of every opportunity that comes to him.

Too often, however, we make good resolutions at the beginning of the new year, and in a short time they have all been cast aside, and we are back in our old ways again; this is because we have trusted in self and have failed to look to Christ and ask him for strength each day to carry out these resolutions.

Now as we enter upon another new and untried year, let us forget all the unpleasant things of the past year and make the year 1913 a pleasant and profitable one, by looking always for "the beautiful" and resolve, as did the apostle Paul, to forget those things

which are behind and reach out after the things which are before, remembering always, that before as well as behind us, is God.



OPPORTUNITIES OF A STUDENT

BY MARIE YOUNG '14

SOMEONE has said, "The whole value of our year's work lies not so much in the text-book knowledge we have acquired as in the mental discipline we have received." Truly the student has before him a broad field of opportunity---opportunity for enlarging the mind resources as well as gaining practical training.

First: In order that it may be ever quick and alert, the mind needs constant action. This comes in as a part of the student's educational course. Second: With this practice he gets in addition another result, for the mind not only reclaims its activity but also, as do human muscles, grows with exercise. Third: The student thinks deeply and forms habits of perseverance, self-control, and concentration, which make themselves known in daily life.

There is an illustration of one great opportunity which comes to the student, in a talk that a physical geography instructor gave his half-discouraged class, setting forth reasons for their studying the subject. He said, "If we study the people about us we will notice that some

are capable of talking intelligently upon only a limited scope centering narrowly around their own private interests, while others are able to converse upon subjects of interest to the listener, be he from whatever walk of life, or they have developed intellectual ability."



ENERGY

AS we look about us, we find a great difference among men of every class. There are great and insignificant, feeble and powerful men. The whole difference lies in the amount of energy which can be called into use. A man who purposes to do a thing and then demands victory or death before defeat, has energy. There is nothing in this world but what that quality can do successfully.

Energy is not necessarily a gift; it can and must be developed if success would be attained. The developing process is oftentimes slow, but sure if defeat is ignored. It is only by striving to succeed that energy can be developed. Energy must never be allowed to stagnate, but must be exercised and used.

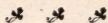
It is a common error that great men have become great thru birth or inspiration. At this that many give up hope of gaining anything more than an existence. This is a sad condition. Men who have become great are men who have developed and put into use the powers which lie within them. No one ever became great in the sense of usefulness without persistent application.

Many of the men to whom the world owes much

have, in their school days or in later years, been called dunces, but they had one essential quality which made them successful; that was energy. To-day the world is glad to honor them above other men.

The dunce at the foot of his class may far surpass all others, providing he has energy. He may have some of the characteristics of the tortoise but it is a true proverb which says, "Slow but sure wins the race."

A. E. H.



JOURNALISM

ONE of the most potent factors in the molding of public opinion to-day is the press. Too many, however, underestimate its power and far reaching effects. This is undoubtedly the reason why it is utilized so little by the mass of the people, and on this account, it is often found to be controlled by selfish and unscrupulous persons. Thus an agent which might be used for the furthering of good causes is often found hindering them.

Much is said in school and out of school about the importance of public speaking. This is right, for the ability to express one's ideas verbally to the public in a creditable manner is one essential for the success of an individual. But this should not be encouraged to the neglect of the ability to write in a free and intelligent manner.

One may attend lecture after lecture, but unless his

memory is exceptionally strong, he is sure to forget the greater portion of what was said. In fact in a short time nothing but a mere outline of the lecture is remembered. But words written are some what like the poor, in that "we have them with us always," or at least so long as the manuscript is retained. The words we speak witness for a time of our character, but the written words are ever present as a witness.

Knowing these facts and having so great and important a message to give to the world in so short a time it is the more important that we should acquaint ourselves with this powerful agent, and use it to further the doctrines which we believe to be true.

C. W. D.



THE VALUE OF THE CHAPEL PERIOD

BY EDITH BCOMER '14

WHO can accurately judge the value of a few moments spent in prayer during a hard and trying task? How many trials and temptations may thus be averted that might otherwise entrap us, when we place our trust in the Great Shepherd, who has trod the way before us. Just so the chapel period may become an inspiration in our daily life. It can never take the place of prayer, but it can enoble our thoughts, raise our aims, and encourage us in worthy pursuits.

Often I liken it to the Sabbath. As the Lord's day

provides for a cessation from worldly cares and meditation on the Infinite, so at Chapel our minds are taken from everyday problems, to higher and loftier ideals where the Perfect Example is set before us and we are bidden to follow. During the period a hush envelops the students, we remember that God is there, and the lessons presented become, if we will, lasting impressions---life aims. I find especial encouragement in the frequent promises to persevering plodders, and rejoice that some day God may recognize my humble efforts to please him, and reward me according to what I shall have tried to do. I believe many of us owe much of our ambitions to become effective in this message to the Chapel talks.



HOLIDAYS AMONG THE HILLS

ABOUT eight miles to the east of Forest Home lies a long barrier of hills which are usually covered with snow during the winter and occasionally during the summer.

It was among these hills that a company of four from Forest Home chose to spend a portion of their Christmas holidays. Early Christmas morning, as it had previously been decided what each should take, the party assembled in front of the Academy and traveled about ten miles of the trip by team.

From here, with our packs on our backs, we followed a winding trail up the steep hillside; and by ten o'clock reached a house about a mile up the hill. Here also is a small gold mine, after the exploration of which,

and after lunch, we again proceeded on our journey. In a short time we had reached the snow line, and by noon we had waded thru snow for over two miles. It was now above our knees and judging that it would be almost impossible to camp where the snow was any deeper we decided to make camp by the base of a large up-rooted tree.

Space will not permit to tell how the afternoon was spent in melting the snow away; and constructing a small lean-to (barely large enough for our heads), which we covered with so-called shakes, split from short cedar logs cut out of the trail; and enclosed all but one end with branches, which were stood against the roof and arranged to shed the snow as much as possible. Branches dried over the fire and spread about over strips of cedar, which lay on the wet ground, served as a mattress, and before dusk all necessary preparations for night were made.

Supper was then prepared over the fire in front of the opening; and before the early bedtime had come, drops of water, caused by the melting of snow on the roof, had already found their way thru the cracks and were dripping on our beds. After retiring, however, it was not long before we became aware of the fact that water was not only coming from above, but also from below, to such an extent, that by midnight each was awake and complaining of being wet and cold. One of the party, judging that it was morning, suggested that we move camp below the snow line before breakfast, and moved that some one build a fire, but nobody made any motions.

A rising vote was also called for but no one arose. The question was freely debated, but when the time of night was ascertained, each decided to console himself till morning.

With patient anxiety we awaited the dawn, but when daylight approached no one volunteered to build the fire. It was then decided that we guess the time, and the one missing it the farthest should build the fire. This was done; and this plan of assigning work was followed out during the rest of our stay. After breakfast, we moved camp to the house previously mentioned where, after a general house cleaning we were comfortably situated, and to which we gave the name of Camp Comfort. From here we roved over the hills, waded the snow, and beheld nature dressed in her purest garb.

On the third day two of the party, leaving the camp early, resolved to go to the summit. As the miles were gradually covered, however, the snow became deeper and deeper, and on rounding the base of the peak we were forced to wade snow to our arm pits. An occasional glimpse thru the openings in the tree tops down into the valleys and canyons below, afforded a scene never to be forgotten: and when at last we were forced to retreat by a large drift, we joyfully retreated our steps, feeling that we had seen a portion, at least, of the indescribable beauties of nature.

The following day was spent in and about the camp, and on the fifth day, all were stirring early and preparing for our trip home. Our packs were greatly lightened by

this time, but we decided to leave them at the foot of the hills, and come back after them with a team. When we reached the foot of the hills, it was raining and after a walk of about ten miles we were once again safe home.

E. F. D.



BE A BOOSTER

Do not be afraid to boost. A good booster for a worthy enterprise is an excellent advertisement, not only for the thing which you are boosting, but also for yourself. It shows that you are not merely breathing, but that you are also alive.

C. W. D.



TO MY FRIENDS

BY D. D. REES

As fleets the shadow of the cloud
From fertile plain to mountain high,
So fleets the year. Breathless it comes,
And stops to nod, then scurries by.
Thus came the year and thus it went;
The work it wrought will longer reign,---
May all its sorrows be forgot,
May all its joys alone remain.
And now, as loud the merry bells
Ring out the old and in the new,
Accept my wish, aye, deepest prayer,
A happy, blissful year to YOU.

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A new year has been given to us, not to be used all at once, but day by day. What an appropriate gift! It has no market value. Its value depends on how we use it. Yet, let us remember this, that once gone, it can never be replaced. Let us show our appreciation for this gift by setting our goals high, ever keeping in mind that the marks made during the year can never be raised.

The staff have been recipients of many compliments for the creditable appearance of THE FORESTONIAN, and like all ambitious people we appreciate them. We are doing the best we know and are glad our readers appreciate our efforts. THE FORESTONIAN is not yet a sample of perfect journalism, we know this, so friendly criticisms will be thankfully received.

At the time of the issuing of this number of THE FORESTONIAN, the Literary Editor was sick in a Bellingham hospital, the Business Manager at home enjoying a vacation, and the Circulation Manager in the mountains on a bear hunt. As a result the News Editor and Editor-in-Chief will take all "lickings" resulting from this number.

NEWS NOTES

The holidays, December 25 to January 6, were appreciated and enjoyed by all. The village students and those remaining in the Academy Home were entertained at social gatherings in homes of the village and at a party in the Academy Home, New Years evening.

Mr. Victor Wolfkill who has been teaching church school at Granger, Washington, spent Christmas week at Forest Home visiting his parents and friends.

Professor and Mrs Frost spent the holidays with relatives at Meadow Glade.

Miss Eunice and Mr. Otis Rasmussen spent the vacation visiting with friends and relatives in Spokane.

Mr. R. S. Dexter was a visitor at the Academy for a few days during the Week of Prayer.

Miss Grimes spent the holidays visiting the Academy at Pete Meadows, B. C.

Sabbath, December 27, being the day for the Thirteenth Sabbath offering, the regular class recitations were dispensed with and an interesting program was given on the work in South America.

The Philomathian Literary Society was recently reorganized. We are now looking forward to some instructive as well as intertaining programs. A well organized and rightly conducted literary society affords excellent opportunities for educational development.

The second number of the lecture course was given in the Academy Chapel, Saturday evening, December 21. The program was composed wholly of musical numbers and was, without doubt the best program rendered at the Academy this year. Nineteen numbers were rendered and seventeen different individuals took part besides the children and those in the chorus. It is evident from this program that the musical ability of the Academy is being developed. The third number of the lecture course will be given by the Dacea Male Quartette on the evening of February 1.

Monday, December 23, at 2:00 P. M., Miss Nina Fern Wilcox and Mr. Allen Leslie Ham were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Elma, Washington. Both are pioneer students of Forest Home Academy. December 26, Mr. and Mrs. Ham left for Washington, D. C. where they will attend the Foreign Mission Seminary for one year. At the end of that time, they will sail for China, their chosen field of labor. THE FORESTONIAN extends congratulations.

The Messrs. Williamson, Morley, Adams, and E. Degering returned, December 29, from a five days outing in the mountains. Their appearance when they returned resembled that of Napoleon's army on its return from the campaign against Russia and like Napoleon, they failed to get the Bear.

Recently surveyors have been working in front of the Academy on a right-of-way for a new railroad which will extend from Mt. Vernon to Day Creek. It has been stated that construction work will begin at once. The railroad company is planing to place a station near the Academy.

Forest Home is well supplied with telephones. The Sunset Telephone Company has recently extended its line to Forest Home, making two systems which are operating in the neighborhood besides the Academy's private system.

The week of prayer was greatly enjoyed at the Academy. The readings were read at Chapel hour and in the evening, devctional services were held. Elder Boynton and Professor Searns gave us some valuable help during the closing days of the week.

A substantial foot-bridge has been built across the creek which runs by the Academy. This is greatly appreciated by the village students, as it saves going up and down the muddy banks of the creek.

Nearly all the students of the Academy Home spent their Christmas vacation at their homes in various parts of the state.

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